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1. The following observations were made in the Artillerie Kaserne, Zeitz, on 18 April 1950:

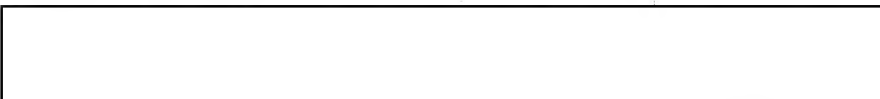
a. Seven companies, each of 150 to 160 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, some with tank insignia, were observed to fall in at the barracks yard at 9:30 a.m.



The trucks were towing nine 76.2-mm guns and two field kitchens.

c. The companies which were still standing in the barracks yard were reported to a high-ranking officer at 10 a.m. and left afterwards for the freight station where the mentioned trucks were already being entrained. Twenty-eight flatcars and 29 boxcars were available. Some soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with crossed-gun-barrel insignia were already in the boxcar. The newly arriving troops boarded the boxcars, 20 to 25 soldiers per boxcar.

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e. An armored vehicle, apparently an SF gun, and an armored vehicle without turret were in the barracks yard. About 20 soldiers stood beside the vehicles. Ten soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia marched from the barracks to the Infanterie Kaserne.

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c. Infanterie Kasorne:

a. No change in the occupation was observed. A unit of about 800 troops bearing red-bordered black epauletts with crossed-gun-barrel insignia was quartered there in the late afternoon of 18 April 1950.

25X1 b. Lockers and other furniture were seen in front of a barracks
25X1 building. [redacted] the troops made preparations
for departure. [redacted] Canolas of ar-
25X1 mored vehicles were seen through the windows of a garage. Six
25X1 canvas-covered armored vehicles, one reconnaissance car and about
eight trucks were parked at the garages. [redacted]

c. The mentioned train was still standing at the freight station at about 10:30 p.m. without an engine. Its departure was not observed.

25X1 [redacted] Comment:

a. The report indicates that, besides the 67th Gds Weiz Regt/20th Gds Weiz Div another unit (artillery?) of this division is stationed in Zeitz (the troops in the two barracks totaled at least 1,900).

b. According to the report elements of the 67th Gds Weiz Regt were entrained on 18 April 1950, presumably for Ohrdruf, where the regiment held its 1949 exercises with its division.

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